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In response to the Office Action, mailed August 21, 2002, please consider the following remarks.

Amendments

In the Claims

Please amend claims 4, 21, 26, and 27 to read as indicated and add new claims 28 through 43:

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D1

4. The method of claim 1, wherein the vascular endothelial growth factor is VEGF₁₂₁.

D2

21. The viral vector of claim 19, which is deficient in at least one essential function.

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26. The viral vector of claim 19, wherein the vascular endothelial growth factor is VEGF₁₂₁.

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